

WALPOLE PARISH COUNCIL

The Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting of Walpole Parish Council held at the Community Centre, Summer Close, Walpole St Andrew on Thursday 14th September at 8.00pm.

Present Chairman – Cllr Richard Broden
Councillors – Andy Bliss, Adrian Eveleigh, Richard Green, David Lawty, Janet Luck
Clerk - Emma Bateman, Irene Hunter – Press
No Members of the Public

146/17 Apologies – to accept apologies and reasons for absence
Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr James Whitaker.

147/17 Minutes – to approve the minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 10th August 2017
The minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 10th August 2017, having been previously circulated were accepted as a true record of the meeting. Unanimously agreed.

148/17 Matters Arising – to record matters arising from the last meeting
The pothole outside Bangla on Chalk Road has been filled in.

149/17 Public Participation – to invite public participation
Mr Street reported that there will be a meeting for the Parish Hall refurbishment project on Wednesday 27th September. The Committee has engaged a solicitor to check the land registry details.

150/17 To receive a councillor resignation

1. Cllr Luck has tendered her resignation from the Council and will also resign as Editor of the Village Crier with effect from the end of December 2017. Councillors expressed their thanks for Cllr Luck's contribution to the Council and her commitment as Editor of the village magazine.
2. Councillors agreed that an advert should go into the Crier for a new Editor and KLWNBC will be advised of the councillor vacancy. Adverts for a Casual Vacancy will be posted shortly.

151/17 To receive Councillors reports of villagers' concerns, highway issues and street lighting faults

1. West Drove North – carriageway is cracking and needs repair by Faulkner's Bridge.
2. Church Rd – the drive of a property is being used as a mini bus depot and it is believed that there is no planning permission for this. To be reported to KLWNBC Planning Enforcement.
3. Chalk Road – it has been reported to Planning Enforcement that scrap and tyres are being stored at a property on Chalk Road. Councillors asked for the progress to be monitored.
4. Chalk Road – pot hole o/s Anglian Water pumping station.
5. Chalk Rd/Church Rd – junction road surface in poor condition.
6. School Lane – property has extended the garden into a field.

152/17 To receive a reports from:

- A. County and Borough Councillors reports
 1. County Councillor – Digital Innovation and Efficiency Committee is looking into broadband and mobile phone coverage. Drones may be used to view and monitor potholes.
 2. Borough Councillor – the Borough Council has put suggestions to Boundaries Commission Consultation that Walpole Cross Keys could be included in Terrington Ward, The Walpoles could be included with Walpole Highway, West Walton and Walsoken Ward and become one ward with two Borough Council members.
- B. Councillor Surgery report – there was no surgery this month and councillors agreed to suspend the surgeries for the time being.
- C. The Community Centre report – there was nothing to report.
- D. Village Crier, Social Media & Website Editors reports – the Editor reported that there was nothing to advise.

153/17 Planning

Cllr Blunt advised that he would abstain from all voting on Planning Applications.

A. Applications for Consultation with Parish

17/01562/RM- Construction of two dwellings at Applegate House, Walnut Road, Walpole St Peter. Support.

17/01559/RM- Reserved matters application for the construction of dwelling at Applegate House, Walnut Road, Walpole St Peter. Support.

17/01548/O – Outline Application for single two storey residential dwelling at Walnut Tree House, Walnut Road, Walpole St Peter. Support.

17/01605/RM - Reserved Matters for Plot 2: Proposed new dwelling at land adjacent to Hawthorne Lodge, Police Road, Walpole St Andrew. Support.

17/01648/F- Extension to house to form enclosed swimming pool at Berkeley House, Walnut Road, Walpole St Peter. Support.
 17/01669/F - Retention of mobile home at Caravan at Hill Farm, West Drove North, Walpole St Peter. Object, caravan should be sited on the building site it relates to and ownership of the plot cannot be proven.

B. Borough Council Planning Authority Decisions

17/00968/F - 4 Market Lane, WSA. Dropped kerb to access a planned driveway/off street parking. Application Permitted, 9th August 2017, Delegated Decision.

17/00982/F - The Willows, The Marsh, WSA. Removal of condition 2 of planning permission 16/01849/F to eliminate the flat roof part of dwelling. Application Permitted, 4th September 2017, Delegated Decision.

17/01404/F - 79 Springfield Road, WSA. Proposed two storey extension. Application Permitted, 5th September 2017, Delegated Decision.

14/01236/NMA_1 - Walpole Substation Walpole Bank WSA. Non Material amendment to Planning Consent 14/01236/F: Increase in height of landscaping bund from 5.5 meters to 6 metres. Application Permitted, 5th September 2017, Delegated Decision.

154/17 Finance

A. To receive any requests for grants

Citizens Advice Norfolk - £100 donation. Unanimously agreed. Cheque will be authorised at the October meeting.

Councillors are aware that the Football Club would like to make a request for a grant but the Grant Application has not yet been received.

B. to approve payments

		Ex VAT	VAT	Inc VAT
i.	WPFRT Hall Hire (Aug),	21.60		21.60
ii.	K&M Lighting Services Streetlight Maintenance,	53.73	10.75	64.48
iii.	Norfolk ALC Training Fees,	50.00	10.00	60.00
iv.	CGM Grass cutting,	276.70	55.34	332.04
v.	A1 Engraving Bin signs,	25.00	10.00	30.00
vi.	HMRC PAYE,	33.80		33.80
vii.	Mrs E Bateman Salary and Clerical Expenses,	291.74		291.74
viii.	E.ON Energy charge,	127.61	6.38	133.99

Councillors unanimously agreed to make all payments.

C. to record receipts

Village Crier Adverts 245.00 245.00

D. To view the books of Account

Cllr Bliss looked at the Books.

155/17 To receive further information regarding the Deed of Variation from Dong Energy

Councillors were advised that the Deed of Variation is to properly document the route of the cables since installation. Councillors agreed to sign and return the Deed.

156/17 Correspondence – to receive items for information

1. BHIB Insurance-Information for next year's policy
2. Clerks and Councils direct -newsletter

157/17 To appoint a representative for the Sutton Bridge Power Fund charity

Cllr Lawty agreed to be the representative for The Walpoles.

158/17 To receive update on the progress with the collapsed cistern in Walpole St Andrew Churchyard

1. Welfare facilities for contractors - Councillors had no objection for the CCT's contractor to stand welfare facilities in the Churchyard but advised that the CCT would have to speak to St Peter's PCC as well.
2. Churchyard Perimeter Walls – Councillors agreed that these will need to be considered for remedial works in the near future.
3. Saplings – Cllr Bliss advised that he would contact Mr Hennelly about the treatment to the saplings.

159/17 To discuss projects from the Community Contribution (Christmas tree, external defibrillator, parish partnership ideas) and consider other Village Projects

1. Swingfield Seating – St Peter's PCC are happy for benches/picnic tables to be placed in the Swingfield.
2. Dog bins – these will be ordered as the licences are ready.
3. Christmas Trees – councillors suggested that living, planted trees could be purchased and would like St Peter's PCC to be consulted.
4. Defibrillator – costs need to be ascertained and an electrical connection.
5. Parish Partnership Scheme – another fixed interactive speed sign for Wisbech Rd was suggested. Costs for October meeting.

160/17 To discuss any updates regarding the Townsend Estate Allotments from KLWNBC

The tenancy agreement is still with the Solicitor.

161/17 Grass Cutting and hedges – to discuss overgrown hedges on The Chase, issues relating to the current season's grass cutting and consider frequency of cuts for the playing field for next the season.

1. Grass cutting - Councillors noted that the grass is cut every two weeks and the most recent cut looks to be done to a satisfactory standard. Councillors were satisfied with the current frequency.
2. Hedges on The Chase – councillors will advise which hedges need to be trimmed and which households to contact. The hedge near the old entrance to the Primary School needs to be trimmed as well.

162/17 Play Park – to receive any updates, consider a date for an 'official opening'.

1. Signs - Councillors would like a date for the last sign to be installed.
2. Official opening – the date will be dependent upon when guest is available to attend.

163/17 To receive items for the next agenda
Village Crier Editorship.

Date and Time of Next Meeting –Thursday 12th October 2017 at 7.00pm in the Community Centre, Summer Close, Walpole St Andrew, PE14 7JW.

Meeting closed at 9.35pm

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